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expensive to pump unless you have cheap fuel out there which you don't have, I don't think, so I would have to ask my colleagues to vote against the bill. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, if you live long enough and stay in this body long enough you will see everything. I rise to support Senator Haberman because I think it is a little bit ridiculous to have limits on the amount of water that can be pumped out in the Upper Republican Resources District but yet somebody can put wells in there and pump the water over into Colorado. I know that a state line is more or less an imaginary line and I guess it is brought to our attention when we see the weather maps that we now have on from the satellites and it is pretty hard to tell unless they mark the line in there you wouldn't know where one state started and the other one stopped. But I might ask Senator Haberman, evidently there are restrictions in Colorado that they cannot drill a well. Is this correct?

SENATOR HABERMAN: That is correct. The problem is that landowners in Colorado cannot drill irrigation wells in Colorado but they can drill irrigation wells in Nebraska and transport the water to Colorado.

SENATOR KAHLE: Well, and what kind of restrictions are on in Nebraska now?

SENATOR HABERMAN: We have well spacing.

SENATOR KAHLE: So they probably couldn't put as many wells as you have in your diagram but...

SENATOR HABERMAN: Yes, they can because they don't...at the present time they don't come underneath our program. What we are doing is, we are giving the control area and the Director of Resources more authority to have them come underneath our program.

SENATOR KAHLE: Has there been any attempt for the Soil Conservation or Natural Resource District in the Upper